¶ Here begynneth a lytell treatyse of the horse/the sheep/and the ghoos.

Of Contreuersyes/plees and dyscordes
¶ Betwene persones were two or thre
¶ Sought out the groundes by recordes
¶ This was the custome of antyquyte
¶ Juges were sette/that hadde auctorite
¶ The cas conceyued standynge Indyfferent
¶ Betwene partyes to gyue Jugement

¶ partyes assembled of hyghe and lowe degree
¶ Werey admytted to shewey in sentence
¶ Grouñded of theyr quarels ꝑ lawe made hem free
¶ Without exceptyon to come in audyence
¶ By the presydent/commaunded fyrste scylence
¶ Fredome gyue/the partyes not to spare
¶ By tytell of ryght theyr grenes to declare

¶ Upon this mater shortly to conclude
¶ Nought pore agone as I reherse shall
¶ I founde to purpose a symylytude
¶ Full craftely depaynted vpon a wall
¶ Tweyne sytynge in estate Ryall
¶ The fyerse lyon famose in all Royames
¶ And themperyall egle percyng the sonne beames

¶ These were the dredefull Juges tweyne
¶ In theyr estate sytynge I toke kepe

¶ That herde the partyes by and by complayne
¶ The hors the ghoos and the symple shepe.
¶ The procesle was not to perfounde ne depe
¶ Of theyr debate but contryued of a fable
¶ Whiche of hem was to may moost prouffytable

¶ Eche for his partye proudely gay procede
¶ To force hym selfe by recorde of scrypture
¶ By phylolophers as clerkes seey and rede
¶ The prerogatyues/gyuen hem by nature
¶ Whiche of these thre/to euery creature
¶ In republyca/auayleth moost a may
¶ For his partye thus fyrste the horle begay

¶ The hors.

¶ To procede bryefly and not longe to tarye
¶ Fyrste for the trought that I doo not erre
¶ What beest is founde in all thynge so necessarye
¶ As is the horle bothe nyghe and ferre
¶ And loo notable to may in peas and warre
¶ Hors in cronycles who loo redeth a ryght
¶ Haue saued ofte a many a worthy knyght

¶ Marcyall prowesse in especyall
¶ God hath by hors gyue to warryours
¶ Recorde of Alysaundre whos hors Bucyfall
¶ Made hym escape fro many sharpe shours
¶ The goldey chare of olde conquerours
¶ Towarde the tryumphe for knyghtly dedes
¶ Conceyued hit was with foure whyte stedes

¶ Remembre hector the troyan champyon
¶ Whoos horle was called Whyliom galathe
¶ Upon whos backe pleyed the lyon
¶ Full ofte lythes he made the Grekes flee
¶ The stede of Perleus was called Pygale
¶ With swyfte wynges/peotes sayey the lame
¶ Was for his swyftnelle named the horle of fame

¶ Eques ab equo is layd of verry tyght
¶ And chyualer is layd of chyualrye
¶ In duche a rydder is called a knyght
¶ Aragon tonge dooth also specyfye
¶ Laualoro/whiche in that partye
¶ Is named of worlhyp and toke begynnynge
¶ Of spores of golde and chyefly of rydynge

¶ Thele Emperours thele prynces & thele kynges
¶ Whan they bey armed in bryght plate & mayle
¶ Without horle what were theyr mustrynges
¶ Theyr brode baners or theyr ryche apparayle
¶ Tofore ther enemyes to shewe heir in batayle
¶ Without horle/spere/swerde/ne shelde
¶ Myght lytell auayle for to holde a felde

¶ The hardy pykers vpon horle backe
¶ Be lente to forne what grounde is best to take
¶ In theyr ordenaunce that ther be no lacke
¶ By prouydence how they the felde shall make
¶ An horle wyll wepe for his mayslers lake

¶ Chaucer remembreth the louerde/rydyng/e gladde
¶ Presented were vpon a stede of braslle

¶ Betwene two hylles the prophete Zacharye
¶ Sawe stedes foure/the hyelle of hem was rede
¶ Iy thawes foure the felde to magnefye
¶ And the seconde was blacke it is no drede
¶ The thyrde was whyte bodye necke and hede
¶ The fourth dyuerle of colours/wonder stronge
¶ And to knyghthode all theſe colours longe

¶ The rede horſe was tokey of hardynelle
¶ Whiche appertayneth to euery manly knyght
¶ The cole blacke hewe a lygne of lobernelle
¶ porayllé apprellyd to helpe in cheyr ryght
¶ The whyte mylke stede that was glad of lyght
¶ Tokeneth ꝧ knyghthode treuly ſholde entende
¶ Holy chirche maydens and wydowes to defende

¶ The manyfolde colours to ſpeke in generall
¶ Be londry vertues and condycyons
¶ As the foure vertues called cardynall
¶ Longynge to knyghthode tencrere cheyr renons
¶ Iy re publyca/called the champyons
¶ Trought to lulkene and chewe hemlelfe ſtronge
¶ Bounde by ordre to ſer no may haue wronge

¶ Withoutey horſe Juſtes ne tournayll
¶ May not beholde ty warre ne ty pres

¶ Nor ỹ palaſte nod playes martyall
¶ Yf horſe doo fayle may come to none encrees
¶ Ne nomay ſothly dare put hym ỹ preef
¶ Withoutey horſe for ſhorte conclufyon
¶ To atteyne the palme of tryumphall guerdon

¶ Lower degrees ther bey of horſe alſo
¶ Doo grete prouffyte/to euery comonte
¶ The plough ne carte myght nought do
¶ Without horſe/dayly ye may ſee
¶ Tyllynge were loſte ne were we horſes perde
¶ The bely marchaũte to his auauntage
¶ Nor ſhyppes and horſe coude haue no carpage

¶ The ſhyppe hy lylzeneſſe is called ay hors of tree
¶ full notably who cay vnderſtande
¶ To lede mey and carye them ouer the ſee
¶ As done horſe whay they come to lande
¶ The poore may ehe ledeth ỹ a bande
¶ His lytell capull/his corne his mele to ſelle
¶ And whay hit is groũdey bryngeth it fro ỹ melle

¶ Jy wynter ſeaſon to make beall chere
¶ The horſe is nedefull wood and turf to carye
¶ Wyne fruyte & oyle to ſeruie thurgh the yere
¶ Is brought to vynetrers and to potecarye
¶ Dyuerſe drugges and many a letuarye
¶ Sondry bales and ſhortly all vytayll
¶ Of the carpage horſe haue the trauayll

¶ Heye ne otes playnly who lyste lerne
¶ Way fro the feldes ner the medes grene
¶ To the garner neyther to the berne
¶ Without horse be caryed hit is lene
¶ And vnto purpose. I saye as I mene
¶ Ther is no beest rekene as I began
¶ Soo necessarye/as horse is vnto man

¶ Auguste is a season mery and glad
¶ Whan euery tree with newe fruyte is lade
¶ With draught of horse the sheues ben home lad
¶ That moneth passed/the leeues gyn to fade
¶ Whiche made in somer a plesaūt lusty shade
¶ What done horse than to speke in wordes pleyn
¶ The seconde croppe they carye home of ryweyn

¶ By draught of horse fro ryuers and welles
¶ Bouges be brought to brewers for good ale
¶ Lede stone tymbre caryage of belles
¶ We bringe to chirches in trought this is no tale
¶ We lede clothe sackes and many a large male
¶ And gladly somers be sente to forn
¶ With gardeuyandes/how myght hors be forborn

¶ Ye prudent Juges the egle and the lyon
¶ What I haue sayd doth wysely aduertyse
¶ Weyeth this mater in your dyscrecyon
¶ Where ghoos or sheep playnly to deuyse
¶ Of theyr nature may in ony wyse

¶ Justely deme ye/late hit not be spared
¶ Unto ay hors be lykened and compared

¶ That I haue tolde is trought and noo faynynge
¶ Noo wyght of realoy agayne hit may applye
¶ Ghoos ne gander ne grene gosselynge
¶ But yf they entre the boundes of enuye
¶ Lete her come forth and saye for her partye
¶ Ghoos yes truste me wel for the I wyl not spare
¶ Lyke as I fele my verdyte to declare

¶ Where as thou haste vnto thy pasture
¶ But one place/to make in thy repayre
¶ Hit is graunted es me by nature
¶ To abyde oy water/londe & eyer
¶ Now amonge floures and grenes that be fayer
¶ Now bathe in ryuers swymme in many a ponde
¶ For storme or shoure as drye as oy the londe

¶ To myne entent mo thynges ye may seey
¶ As mey experte knowey that bey olde
¶ Whan wylde ghees hye in thayre vp fleey
¶ With theyr wynges dysplayed and vnfolde
¶ A pronostyque of snowe and froste colde
¶ Kalendes bringe playnly for to saye
¶ Agayne wynter how mey sholde pourueye

¶ The grees of ganders is good in medycyne
¶ With sondry gommes tempred for the goute

¶ Dyuerse aches to swayey and declyne
¶ Ay therextremytee to drawe the malyce oute.
¶ fethers of ghees whay they falle or moute
¶ To gadre hem vp herdes hem delyte
¶ To selle to fletchers the graye with the whyte

¶ Hey pluche stalkes out of my wynges tweyne
¶ Some to portreye some to note or wryte
¶ Whay Rethorycyens haue doo theyr belye peyne
¶ frelhe epystles and lettres to endyte
¶ Without wrytynge auayleth not a myte
¶ for yf pennes and wrytynge were aweye
¶ Of remembraunce thay were loste the keye

¶ Of ghees also the dede is prouyd ofte
¶ Ay many a contree and many a regyon
¶ To make pylowes and fetherbeddes softe
¶ Of prudence mey pluckey of the doun
¶ Thus to make a playne comparyson
¶ As pylowes bey to chambres agreable
¶ Soo is harde strawe lytter for the stable

¶ The fyme of ghees and grene gholelynges
¶ Gadred ay many amonge the herbes sote
¶ Agayne brennynge scaldynge and other thynges
¶ Tempred with oyle or butter dooth bothe
¶ To swage payne perceth to the rote
¶ But hors doūge as refuse is caste awaye
¶ Is good for furneys tempred with claye

A deed horle is but a foule carayne
Thayer Infectynge it is soo corruptable
But a fatte ghoos whay hit is newe slayne
Ay dysshes of golde a mussell greable
Is serued vpoy a kynges table
Swymmynge a lyue iy watres crystallyne
Tenderly rosted requyreth to haue wyne

Thurgh all the londe of Butes albyoy
For fethers arowes as I reherle cay
Ghoos is the beste to make comparyson
Except fethers of pecok and of swan
Be bowe and arowes syth the warre began
Haue Englysshe men remembred iy storye
Of theyr enemyes hadde many a vyctoiye

Horle iy the felde may mustre with grete pryde
Whay they of trompettys here the blody sowiy
But whay ay arowe hath percyd his syde
To groūde he gooth & caste his mayster dowiy
Entrynge the felde he pleyeth the lyon
What foloweth after/his carayne slynketh sore
Saue shynne and shone ther leueth nomore

Myghty captaynes and knyghtes iy the felde
Make theyr waides iy theyr ordenaunce
Fyrste men of armes with polax spere & shelde
Sette iy ordre dewe to haue the gouernaunce
Whiche at peyters toke the kynge of Fraunce

¶ Thanke to the ghoos mooſt be gyuen of ryght
¶ Whiche in the felde loo proudely toke her flyght

¶ Slouth of my flyght for haſty neclygence
¶ Of preſumpcyon / the ghoos was lefte behynde
¶ Whan the famous & the worthy duke of clarence
¶ Rode on Bayarde with his eyen blynde
¶ Flyght of my fethers was put out of mynde
¶ And for he lefte that daye of me no force
¶ So lytell or nought what auayled hym his horſe

¶ Bookes olde remembre well in ſentence
¶ Whylom whan Rome by his fooy was take
¶ The Cappytole kepte of with grete defence
¶ Noyſe of a gander / the captayne dyde wake
¶ Whiche remembred / they ſette vp for his ſake
¶ In theyr Temples wyde and olde
¶ A large gandre forged all of fyne golde

¶ This waker noyſe was theyr ſauacowne
¶ By whiche the captayne ranne vpon the walle
¶ Thus by a gandre recouered was the towne
¶ Called of the worlde the cyte mooſt ryalle
¶ Cyte of cytees that daye mooſt prynceypalle
¶ Was euer hors in booke that ye can rede
¶ Pro re publyca / that dyde ſuche a dede

¶ In the booke named of cheualrye deſtyne
¶ The ſtorye telleth as in ſentemente.

¶ There were children of the ryall lyne
¶ Bony with chaynes/& whan they were of rente
¶ They tourned to swannes by enchaūtemente
¶ Toke theyr flyght the trought is full clere
¶ And as swannes they swamme in the ryuere

¶ This storye is full autentyke and olde
¶ In frenshe compyled oft red and seyn
¶ Of thylke chaynes was made a cupe of golde
¶ Whiche is yet kepte as some folkes seyn
¶ And by dylcent hit longeth in certeyn
¶ To the herfordes ye shall soo fynde in dede
¶ Leryously who soo lyste the storye to rede

¶ And semblably /not longe here to tary
¶ I telle this tale as for my partye
¶ Ther was a may in lombardy bory
¶ To a ghoos ytorned by crafte of sorcerye
¶ And so abode seuen yere me lyste not to lye
¶ His wyfe fyll of /chay slode he vp a may
¶ And bode in seruyce with the duke of Melay

¶ And for he was a may of hyghe degree
¶ Bory of good blood and notable in substaūce
¶ His kynrede gyueth a ghoos for theyr lyuere
¶ The layd meruayle to put in remembraūce
¶ Peyse alle thynges Justely in balaūce
¶ And lete the borle leue his book and roos
¶ To make comparyson with gander or ghoos

¶ Within Rome the gander was dekyed
¶ Set in theyr Temples of grete affeccyon
¶ By Senatours of the towne magnefyed
¶ As theyr protectour & sauer of the town
¶ Lete horle & sheep laye theyr boost a doun
¶ But yf the Ram with his braley belle
¶ Cay for the sherp some better storye telle.
¶ The Ram sweketh for the sheep
¶ The sheep was symple & lothe to make a fraye
¶ Lyke a beest dyspoled to mekenesse
¶ The sturdy Ram his aduocate was that daye
¶ Tofore the Juges he gan hym dresse
¶ With ay erordye of latyn he dyde expresse
¶ Veste purpurea vt rectores regum
¶ Induti sunt arietes ouium

¶ Of this notable ryall hye scrypture
¶ Th' blessyd doctour Augustyn as I rede
¶ Be a may goostly fayre of fygure
¶ Of a mekc sheep thus he doth procede
¶ Called Maria a mayde in thought & dede
¶ Brought forth a lambe of moost vertu
¶ The lambe of grace whos name was Jhesu

¶ Augustyn called this lambe in estate
¶ By manyfolde recorde of scrypture
¶ The ryall lambe of colour purpurate
¶ Whiche for manhynde lyste passyon endure
¶ Borne of a mayde by grace agayne nature

¶ Whan he by mene of her humylyte
¶ Toke the clothynge of our humanyte

¶ Borne by dyscente to be bothe preest & kynge
¶ Kyng by succesyon fro Dauyd doun by lyne
¶ Of purpyll rede was his ryall clothynge
¶ This agnus dei bozy of a pure virgyne
¶ Whiche wyllhe awaye all venym serpentyne
¶ Oy caluarye/whan he for man was deed
¶ With his pure blood purpurate and reed

¶ This palchall lambe without spot all whyte
¶ By his passyon in Bolra steyned rede
¶ Whiche cam from Edom this lambe of delyte
¶ That gaf his bodye to man in forme of brede
¶ Oy therthurlday tofore that he was dede
¶ Was ther euer founde in scrypture
¶ Of horle or ghoos so solempne a fygure

¶ This lambe was cryste that lyneally cam
¶ By dyscente conueyed de per de gre
¶ from the patryarke called Abraham
¶ By Ysaac and Jacob so doun to Yesse
¶ Whiche by vertue of his humylyte
¶ Lyste to be called the blessyd Jhesu
¶ for his mekenesse the lambe of moost vertu

¶ And for to reherce worldely cõmodytees
¶ Ay re publyca/make noo comparyson

¶ There is non beest/whiche in all degrees
¶ Neyther Tygre/Dyphant/ne Gryffoun
¶ Alle thynges reteyned thurgh euery regyon
¶ Dooth lo grete prouffyte/honde/ghoos/ne lyam
¶ As dooth the sheep vnto the eale of may

¶ Lete be thy boost thou honde & thy Jangelynge
¶ Laye doun thy trappours forged of plate & mayle
¶ Laste of thy sadell of golde lo fretthly thynynge
¶ What may helpeth or boces now auayle
¶ This goostly lambe hath done a grete batayle
¶ By his meteneelle he offred vp for may
¶ Clad in purpyll vayneuylled hath Sathay

¶ The ghoos may cable the horse pyke & praise
¶ Neyther of hem in procelle may atteyne
¶ For to be sette or put in remembraūce
¶ Agayne the lambe though they dyldeyne
¶ For comoy prouffyt he palleth bothe tweyne
¶ Wepe and conlydere betwene poore and ryche
¶ To hym in vdlowe they be no thynge lyche

¶ Of Brutes albyon his vulle is chyef rychelle
¶ In pryce surmoūtynge euery other thynge
¶ Dane grayne & corne marchaūtes all expreſſe
¶ Vulle is chyef treloure in this londe growynge
¶ To ryche & poore this beest kynde clothynge
¶ All nacyons affermne hit vp to the fulle
¶ In all the worlde is no better vulle

¶ Of the sheep also cometh pellet and the felle
¶ Gadred in this londe for grete marchaūdyse
¶ Caryed ouer the see where they may hit selle
¶ The wulle shynnes cauley they to tyle
¶ Ay to grete rychesse in many londry wyse
¶ The sheep also courneth to grete prouffyte
¶ To helpe of may bereth furres black & whyte.

¶ There is also made of the sheeps shynne
¶ Pylches & gloues to dryue awaye the colde
¶ Therof also is made good parchemyne
¶ To wryte of bookes & quayers manyfolde
¶ The Ram of Cholchos bare a flees of golde
¶ The flees of Gedeon with dewe delectable
¶ Was of Maria a fygure full notable

¶ His flesshe his naturall restauracyon
¶ As some they seey after grete sekenesse
¶ Roted or sodey hollom is motoy
¶ Doyleth with grewell / phelycyens expresse
¶ Full nutrytyfe after grete accesse
¶ The sheep also concludynge doubteles
¶ Of his nature louyth reste and pees

¶ Of the sheep is caste awaye no thynge
¶ His horne for nockes to haftes go his bone
¶ To londe grete prouffyte doth his tyrtelynge
¶ His talowe serued for plasters mo thay one
¶ For harpe strenges his roppes serue echone

¶ Of rotys hede boyled with walle and all
¶ Ther cometh a grey & ay ointement ryall

¶ For the ache of bones & also for brokure
¶ Hit remedyeth and doth ease blyue
¶ Lauleth mey of starke Joyntes to recure
¶ Deed lenewes restoreth agayne to lyue
¶ Blacke shepes wulle with oyle oluc
¶ These mey of armes with charmes preued good
¶ At a strayt nede lay well staunce blood

¶ Vnto the wolfe contrarye of nature
¶ As sayen auctours is this humble beste
¶ Loueth no debate for whiche eche creature
¶ For his partye he wolde lyue in reste
¶ Wherfore ye Juges I holde hit for the beste
¶ Rem pub' ycam/ye sholde of ryght preferr
¶ Alwaye consyderynge þ peas is better thay'

¶ Jn this mater bryefly to conclude
¶ Peas to preferre as to my deuyse
¶ By many olde prouyde symylytude
¶ Make no delaye/gyue the shepe the payre
¶ Of one assent syth that ye be wyse
¶ Lete all warre and stryue be sette a syde
¶ And vpon peas do with the sheep abyde

¶ The horse.

¶ Nay layd the horse your request is wronge
¶ All thynge consydered me were loth to erre

¶ The sheep is cause and hath be full longe
¶ Of newe stryues and of mortall werre
¶ The circumstaunce me lyste not to deferre
¶ Thy wulle was cause and grete occasyon
¶ Why that the proude duke of Bourgoyn

¶ Came tofore Calays with flemynges not a fewe
¶ Whiche gat the laches & larpiers of the towne
¶ To Gaũt & Brugges his fredom for to shewe
¶ Of thy wulles/he hyght hem possessyon
¶ His boustous bastyle fyrste was betey down
¶ Hymselfe vnnethe escaped with the lyfe
¶ What/but thy wulles was cause of this stryfe

¶ Were rychesse is of wulles and suche good
¶ Mey drawe thyder that bey recheles
¶ As fouldyours that braynles be and wood
¶ To gete bagage they put hemselfe in prees
¶ Thus causest ỹ warre/& sayst thou louest pees
¶ And yf ther were no warre ne batayle
¶ Lytell or nought the grete horse sholde auayle

¶ The ghoos.

¶ No sayd the ghoos nor my fethers whyte
¶ Without warre sholde do none auauntage
¶ Ner holed arowes prouffyte but a lyte
¶ To mete our enemyes magre theyr vysage
¶ And from them to saue vs fro domage
¶ flyght of fethers delpyte of sheep echoone
¶ Shall vs defende agayne our mortall foone

¶ The horse holdynge with the ghoos.

¶ Soth qꝺ the horse as ip my Inwarde lyghe
¶ Without warre afore as J pou tolde
¶ We may not laue/ne kepe our ryghe
¶ Our gatylouns ner castellys olde
¶ But here this sheep ruchynge ip his folde
¶ Sette lytell store of swerde nor arowes kene
¶ Whan he ip peasmay pasture op the grene

¶ Yf hit so stode that no warre were
¶ Lost were the crafte of armorers
¶ What sholde auayle polax swerde or spere
¶ Or thele daggers wrought by cu'tellers
¶ Bowes/crossebowes/arowes of fletchers
¶ All thele Instrumentes for the warre is wrought
¶ Yf warres were slynt they sholde serue of nought

¶ Theyr occupacyon sholde haue none encreas
¶ Nyghtsode sholde not floure ip his astate
¶ Ip euery contre yf that ther were peas
¶ No mey of armes sholde be fortunate
¶ J preue that peas is grounde of all debate
¶ For ip fyue spekes lyke as is a whele
¶ Tourned all the worlde who consyderyth wele

¶ Begynne fyrste at peas whiche causeth rychesse
¶ And rychesse is thorygynall of pryde

¶ Pryde cauleth for lacke of tyghtwylnesse
¶ Warre betwene realmes lothe oy euery syde
¶ Hertes contrarye ty peas wyll not abyde
¶ Thus fynally who can consydere and see
¶ Warre is chyef grounde & cause of pouertee

¶ Hit is full harde to knowe ony astate
¶ Double vysage loketh out of enery hood
¶ Suerte is lost Trulte is paste the date
¶ Thryfte hath take his leue ouer the flood
¶ Lawe can do no thynge without good
¶ Theeft hath leue to go out at large
¶ Of the comons mysrule hath take the charge

¶ And thou desyre thy selfe to auaunce
¶ Poore or ryche whether that thou be
¶ Be lowely and gentyll in thy gouernaunce
¶ Good rule doubteles may best preferre the
¶ Yf thou be gentyll hurte not thy degre
¶ And thou be poore doo all that thou can
¶ To vse good maners for maner maketh man

¶ Atte thy mele be glad in contenaunce
¶ Ay mete and dryke be thou measurable
¶ Beware of surfete and mysgouernaunce
¶ They cause mey ofte to be vnreasonable
¶ Suffre no thynge be layd at thy table
¶ That ony may may hurte or displeasse
¶ For good mete & drynke axeth Joye and ease

¶ Yf thy goodes to the not lufflyle
¶ Conforme the euer to that thou haste
¶ Gouerne so thy selfe in suche a wyse
¶ Iy thyn expenses make noo waste
¶ Grete excesse causeth vnthryft in haste
¶ Beware betyme here this in thyn herte
¶ Wylrule maketh ofte many mey to smarte

¶ Beware of nouellys that be newe brought
¶ Though they be plesaũt/loche faste thy lyppe
¶ Ay hasty worde may be to sore bought
¶ Clole thy mouth leste thy tonge tryppe
¶ To thy selfe/lake thou make not a whyppe
¶ Hurte not thy selfe/leste thou sore rewe
¶ For thyn owne eale/hepe thy tonge in mewe

¶ The worlde so wyde the ayer so remuable
¶ The sely may so lytell of stature
¶ The graue and gounde of clotynge soo mutable
¶ The fyre so hote and subtyll of nature
¶ The water neuer in one/what creature
¶ That made is of these foure thus flyttynge
¶ May endure stable & perfeuere in abydynge

¶ The further I goo/the more behynde
¶ The more behynde/the ner my wayes ende
¶ The more I seche/the wyle can I fynde
¶ The lyghter leue/the lother for to wende
¶ Wherever I serue/the ferther out of mynde

¶ Though I go loule I am tyed with a lyne
¶ Is it fortune or Infortune thus I fyne

¶ Explicit.

My Hare in his forme is
sholdrynge or lenynge
a Douue lytteth
a Herte is herbored
a Knyght is herbored
a Buche is lodged
a Squyer is lodged
a Roo is bedded
a Yoman is bedded
Yf ay herte stande he
stalleth
Yf a buche stande he
herkenyth
Yf a roo stande he fereth
a Dere brokey
a Ghoos reryd
a Swanne lyfte
a Capon lawlyd
a Henne spoyled
a Chekyn frullhed
a Malarde vnbraled
a Cony vnlaced
a Heroy dysmembred
a Crane dysplayde
a Pecok dyshygured
a Curlewe vnioynted
a Bytture vntached
a Felant eyled
a Patrych eyled.
a Woodcok thyed
All smale byrdes thyed
a Pygge hedet & lyded
a Lambe & hyde shuldred
a Herte yf he be chalid he
wyll delyre to haue a
ryuer. As soone as he
taketh the ryuer he lu-
leth/yf he take ouer the
ryuer he crolleth/yf he
retorne he recrolleth/&
yf he take with the stre
me he fleteth/yf he ta-
ke agayn the streme he
beteth or els beketh/yf
he take the londe he
fleeth.

¶ Explicit.